

REMARKS

The Examiner has indicated that claims 6-18 and 22-24 are allowed. Claims 1-5 and 19-21 have been rejected under 35 USC 112. In addition, the Examiner has objected to the Abstract. Claims 1 and 19-21 have been amended to further clarify the subject matter regarded as the invention. In addition, the Abstract has been amended to improve its form. Claims 1-23 remain pending in the application.

This amendment is to expedite prosecution and should not be construed as acquiescence in any ground of rejection. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the originally filed claims in the future.

The Applicant respectfully maintains that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this Application from the Examiner. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,



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